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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications and other information of which they are aware, which they believe may be material to the patentability of the claims of this application, and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

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The following references are known to Applicants:

1. U.S. Patent No. 3,845,770, issued November 5, 1974.
2. U.S. Patent No. 4,093,709, issued June 6, 1978.
3. U.S. Patent No. 4,318,400, issued March 9, 1982.
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5. U.S. Patent No. 4,612,008, issued September 16, 1986.
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A completed PTO Form 1449 listing each reference which is not a U.S. Patent application is submitted herewith and a copy of each reference therein listed accompanies this Information Disclosure Statement. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of the PTO Form 1449 be returned to the undersigned.

This Information Disclosure Statement is not a representation that a search has been made or that no other information material to the patentability of this invention exists.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within 90 days of filing of this application or before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. No fee is required.

The Examiner is hereby requested to consider these references and other information and make them of record in the above-referenced application. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of this application are patentable over the above-cited references and information. Examination and allowance of this application at an early date are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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